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AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the content of the outstanding Office Action dated September 23, 2002, and a personal interview conducted on January 8, 2003, with Patent Examiner Brian Swenson and SPE Brian Johnson, please amend the above identified pending patent application as follows:

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IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claim 1 as follows:

Claim 1. (Amended) A seed meter transfer and storage apparatus [for storing] in combination with seed meters of a type that are used on a corn or soybean planter and having a generally L-shaped flange disposed on each side thereof, said apparatus comprising:  
a frame;